

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten at ROPL!

Royal Oak Public Library is proud to participate in **1,000 Books Before Kindergarten**. This nationwide initiative encourages reading to newborns, toddlers, and preschoolers to foster a love of books and prepare them for school.

How does it work?

Visit the library to receive a reading log, or download the **1,000 Books Before Kindergarten** app. Every time you and your child read a book together, check off the log or record it on the app. It doesn't matter if it's the same book multiple times...all that matters is that you're reading! When you reach a hundreds place milestone (100 books, 200 books, etc.) visit the library for a sticker and add a leaf on the reading tree in the Youth Room. When you reach the 500 books mark your child will receive a special tote bag. When you reach 1,000 books your child will get to pick out ten books to keep and will be acknowledged at the seasonal 1,000 Books party.

Who can participate?

All children from birth through the time when he or she enters kindergarten. Families are encouraged to participate together, so feel free to sign up multiple children.

How long will it take?

The program is self-paced, so it can take anywhere from a few months to a few years! It's really up to you and depends on how often you read together.

How do you begin?

The program is ongoing, so you can begin at any time by visiting the Youth Services desk at Royal Oak Public Library to sign up. You can either pick up a reading log to track books or download the app. Also, don't forget to check out the display in the Youth Room for reading suggestions!



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